

City to Conduct Annual Test of Lynchburg Alerts System



On Thursday, September 22, at 6:30 p.m., the City will conduct its annual test of the Lynchburg Alerts System. Lynchburg residents can expect to receive an automated phone call to their home, cell phone or a text or email message alerting them that the message is a test. They will be asked to acknowledge receipt of the message.

September is National Preparedness Month, and residents are asked to be sure they are prepared for an emergency by understanding which disasters could happen in their community—knowing what to do to be safe and mitigate damage, and to take the appropriate action to increase their preparedness.

One important way Lynchburg residents can be prepared for an emergency is to register with the City’s Lynchburg Alerts Emergency Notification system. Lynchburg Alerts, commonly known as a Reverse 9-1-1 system, gives the City the capability of delivering important emergency information to citizens when there is a threat to the community’s safety and well-being. The system can contact residents by telephone, email, text message and cell phone.

Emergency notifications can include severe weather warnings, boil water notices, evacuation and sheltering information, and other vital notices. Only residents with landline telephone numbers or those who have registered online and included alternate contact information will receive messages through Lynchburg Alerts. Anyone without a landline phone is strongly encouraged to sign on for the free service by going to www.lynchburgalerts.com.

Once registered, residents can choose how to be contacted during an emergency. The system also has an option that allows citizens to receive non-emergency information of their choosing, including street closure information, parks and recreation news, etc. Even residents with landlines should consider registering cell numbers or other alternate methods of contact. *Remember, if we can’t contact you, we can’t alert you.*



Anyone registering for Lynchburg Alerts during the month of September will be eligible to receive one of four first aid kits. The recipients will be chosen during a random drawing.

Kodiak Paper Shredding

Watch your old, outdated, legal and personal papers turn into confetti, and help your community! On Saturday, October 15 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m., the Kodiak Shredding truck will be at the Lynchburg Public Library, 2315 Memorial Avenue to provide secure document destruction on-site.



Everyone is invited to bring their personal, legal and tax papers for shredding. The cost is \$10 for a large bag or box (cash or checks only). Staples and paper clips can be left attached, and the shredding is done immediately.

This public service is sponsored by the Friends of the Lynchburg Public Library. Funds raised will be used to support various library programs and other activities.

Volunteers Needed!

The City of Lynchburg has a long history of volunteerism and citizen engagement and that’s just one of the reasons this community is a great place to live, work and play.



An important goal of City Council is to continue to encourage citizen participation in civic affairs, the democratic process, and community improvement efforts.

One critical way for citizens to become engaged in their community is to volunteer to serve on a City Council-appointed board or commission.

In September and October, there will be anticipated vacancies on several boards and commissions. You are encouraged to review the listing below. If you are interested in being considered to fill one of the vacancies, please complete an application and return it to the Clerk of City Council, 900 Church Street, Lynchburg, VA 24504. Applications may be downloaded from the City’s website at www.lynchburgva.gov or call (434) 455-3995 to have one mailed to you.

Upcoming Vacancies • September 30, 2016

The following boards and commissions will have vacancies when terms end September 30, 2016. Applications must be received by September 26, 2016.

- Social Services Advisory Board • 3 vacancies (1 eligible to serve again)
- Board of Building Code Appeals • 3 vacancies (2 eligible to serve again)
- Redevelopment & Housing Authority • 2 vacancies (1 eligible to serve again)
- Lynchburg Business Development Centre • 4 vacancies (3 eligible to serve again)

Upcoming Vacancies • October 31, 2016

The following boards and commissions will have vacancies when terms end October 31, 2016. Applications must be received by October 24, 2016.

- Transit Company Board • 4 vacancies (2 eligible to serve again)
- Lynchburg Parking Authority • 2 vacancies

Please note: Although some individuals are eligible to serve another term, there is no guarantee that the individual will be reappointed.

Solid Waste Management 2030 Informational Forum

- *Have you ever wondered what happens to your garbage after it leaves the curb?*
- *Are you interested in options for reducing garbage heading to the landfill?*
- *Are you concerned about the environment and want to learn more about future options for managing your solid waste?*

If you answered yes to any of these questions, we hope you will attend an upcoming informational forum to learn more about the future of solid waste management in the greater Lynchburg region. This forum will kick off Solid Waste Management 2030, which is a study of the long-term options for solid waste management in our region. The City of Lynchburg and the counties of Nelson, Campbell and Appomattox manage the region’s solid waste through the Region 2000 Services Authority and are hosting this forum.

Solid Waste Management 2030 Informational Forum
Wednesday, September 14
Two Sessions: 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. or 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Hilton Garden Inn, 4025 Wards Road, Lynchburg

You can also participate by taking the online survey at www.solidwastemanagement2030.org/share-your-input.



Lynchburg Fire Department Conducting Cancer Awareness Campaign

The Lynchburg Fire Department and the Fire Foundation are conducting a Cancer Awareness Campaign by selling specially designed t-shirts and hooded sweatshirts with all proceeds benefiting the Centra Foundation’s Mammograms Annually A Must (MAAM) and the Alan B. Pearson Regional Cancer Center Patient Support Program.



MAAM is a volunteer group that helps fund and organize free mammography screening and diagnostic treatment in the community. The Patient Support Program was designed to provide financial assistance and ensure patients have access to support services and therapies. All contributions stay within Lynchburg and the surrounding community.

Pre-orders for the t-shirts and hooded sweatshirts will begin September 1 and continue through September 26. After September 26, the shirts will be sold on a first-come basis while supplies last.

For more information, contact Jonathan Wright at (434) 455-6353. To place an order, visit www.lynchburgfirefoundation.org.

Lynchburg Public Library – Upcoming Events

For more information on these and other Library events, visit www.lynchburgpubliclibrary.org

Speaking of Books Book Club

Wednesday, September 21, 1:00 p.m.
Lynchburg Library, 2315 Memorial Avenue, Community Meeting Room

This month’s selection is *Loving Eleanor* by Susan Wittig Albert. Join us for lively discussion and light refreshments.

Indie Author Day

Saturday, October 8, 1:00 p.m., Community Meeting Room

Calling all indie authors! Join us for a meet and greet with light refreshments. At 2:00 p.m. everyone will join a digital gathering featuring Q&A with writers, agents and industry leaders that will bring together the larger indie community.



Day at the Point

19th Annual Fall Festival

**Saturday**
October 1st

**10:00 a.m.**
to 4:00 p.m.

**Free**
Admission

**Point of Honor**
112 Cabell Street

The day will feature:

- Living History Demonstrations
- Games for Kids
- Live Animals for Kids
- Musical Performances by The McKenzies and Red Rooster Romeos
- Vendor Village

- Quilt Exhibit
- Food, Beverage, and Bake Sale
- Cider Making and Sampling
- Pumpkin Decorating
- Antique Fire Truck
- Antique Cars





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